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ABSTRACT

A method for transmitting a stream of data over a channel made up of a plurality of subchannels having respective subchannel rates. The method includes partitioning the data among the subchannels, such that successive words of the data are mapped to the subchannels in alternation responsive to the respective subchannel rates. The words of the data are transmitted over the subchannels to which they are mapped, and are then received and processed to recover the stream of data.